BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

$ RCE

#22 2155
LDJ
2-20-02 +

FEB 1 3 2002

REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/013,490
Filing Date	01-26-1998
First Named Inventor	Alexander Tuzhilin et al.
Group Art Unit	2155
Examiner Name	P. Winder
Attorney Docket Number	A33063-067691.0115

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

RECEIVED
FEB 1 9 2002
Technology Center 2100

   a. ☐ Previously submitted

   i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
   (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

   ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

   iii. ☐ Other _____

   b. ☑ Enclosed

   02/15/2002 GTEFFERA 00000053 024377 09013490

   i. ☑ Amendment/Reply

   01 FC:279   370.00 OP

   ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)   02 FC:203   9.00 OP

   iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)   03 FC:202   9.00 CH   33.00 OP

   iv. ☑ Other   Copy of Webster's Dictionary definition page

2. **Miscellaneous**

   a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

   b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees**   The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

   a. ☑ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-4377 _____

   i. ☑ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

   ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

   iii. ☑ Other $9 for Add'l claim; additional charges under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.117

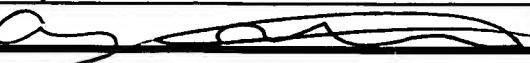   b. ☑ Check in the amount of $ 412 _____ enclosed

   c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print /Type)	Gary Abelev	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	40,479
Signature		Date	January 23, 2002

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, Box RCE, Washington, DC 20231, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on:

Name (Print/Type)	Gary Abelev		
Signature		Date	January 23, 2002

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD
Effective October 1, 2000

Application or Docket Number: 09/013,490

RCE

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

FOR	(Column 1) NUMBER FILED	(Column 2) NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	minus 20=	*
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	minus 3 =	*
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐

RATE	FEE
	$370
X$ 9=	(illegible)
X42=	484
+140=	
TOTAL	920

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	$740
X$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL	

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

AMENDMENT A

	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 47	Minus	** 46	= 1
Independent	* 12	Minus	***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X$ 9=	9
X40=	
+135 =	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X$18=	
X80=	
+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

AMENDMENT B

	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus	**	=
Independent	*	Minus	***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X$ 9=	
X40=	
+135=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X$18=	
X80=	
+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

AMENDMENT C

	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus	**	=
Independent	*	Minus	***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X$ 9=	
X40=	
+135 =	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X$18=	
X80=	
+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."
The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE